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Sent: 4/1/2021 12:48:30 AM
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Subject: RE: EPA Region 3/Seneca Nation Consultation Check-In

Thanks for sending, Kevin.

From: Rowsey, Kevin <rowsey.kevin@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 31, 2021 3:02 PM
To: clifford.redeye@sni.org
Cc: Hamilton, Brian <Hamilton.Brian@epa.gov>
Subject: EPA Region 3/Seneca Nation Consultation Check-In

Good afternoon Cliff,

I wanted to reach out and follow up on Region 3's UIC permitting actions.

- On March 24th, EPA received two letters from President Pagels regarding the Seneca Nation's decision to move forward with a consultation for the Catalyst Energy Class II-D permit and to decline EPA's offer to consult on Bull Run Resources' Class II-R permit.
 - o In regards to Catalyst Energy, I understand that the Nation is currently putting together comments addressing concerns with the proposed injection well. Would the Nation want to meet virtually with EPA to discuss certain details of the project? We are certainly amenable to that should the Nation wish to obtain more information. If the Nation would like to meet prior to providing comments to EPA, let me know and I can offer some times/dates for when we can meet.
 - o Because the Nation declined the offer to consult on Bull Run Resources, EPA intends on publishing the Public Notice for the Draft Permit on Thursday, April 8, 2021 in the Bradford Era newspaper as well as on EPA's website. The Public Comment period will be open until May 10, 2021 with a tentative virtual public hearing taking place at 6:00 pm on May 11, 2021. If the Nation wishes to make comments on this permitting action, you're welcome to submit your comments in writing to me via email or orally during the public hearing.
- EPA is currently responding to the Nation's comments concerning the Roulette Oil & Gas Class II-D permit. EPA requests to hold a meeting to discuss our responses once we've addressed all of your comments and concerns. I will promptly send you our responses once they've been finalized.
- Finally, I wanted to mention that we received a permit application from Sandstone Development, LLC on March 15, 2021. Sandstone is proposing to convert an active production well into a Class II enhanced recovery injection well in Bradford Township, McKean County, Pennsylvania. A letter from our Acting Regional Administrator offering a formal consultation to the Seneca Nation on this permitting action is forthcoming. I just wanted to give you a little advanced notice.

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or comments on how we're proceeding. Please let me know if the Nation would like to meet about Catalyst Energy prior to providing comments to EPA.

Best regards,

Kevin Rowsey

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